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For: SILICON NITRIDE WEAR RESISTANT MEMBER
AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

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SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Response under 37 CFR 1.312 (w/attachment: Copy of Form PTO-1449)

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SIR:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.312, Applicants respectfully call the Examiner's attention to the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and Statement of Relevancy filed March 14, 2001.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to initial the Form PTO 1449 submitted therewith, and mail a copy thereof to undersigned counsel. **Enclosed herewith** is a copy of said Form.

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